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NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET - AT A GLANCE

DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trade sentiment was steady to fully steady on frozen turkeys. Offerings of hens were very light, toms about fair. Inquiries and trading centered on fill in needs. Fresh activity was fairly heavy on hens and toms for November delivery at open prices. Fresh hens for November were tight in areas, fresh toms about adequate. Fresh breast meat demand was light and forced some product into the freezer. White meat trims were very strong and short of needs. Bulk parts were tight on tom full cut wings and necks, spotty on tom drums.



EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Export activity was light with some buyer resistance to current prices on tom drums and thigh meat. Two containers of thigh trim traded at 36 cents delivered port.

WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **OCTOBER 02, 2001**

CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/

FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/

OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/

| | OFFERS | SALES | WTD AVG | VOLUME (000) | WTD AVG | VOLUME (000) | DEL. PER | VOLUME (000) | DEL. PER |
|-------------------|--------|-------|------------|-----------------|------------|-----------------|-------------|-----------------|-------------|
| 8-16 LB HENS | | | | | | | | | |
| EASTERN REGION 3/ | 70-71 | 71 | 71.00 | 600 | - | - | - | - | - |
| CENTRAL REGION 4/ | 69-72 | 72 | 72.00 | 12 | - | - | - | - | - |
| WESTERN REGION 5/ | 70-71 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 16-24 LB TOMS | | | | | | | | | |
| EASTERN REGION 3/ | 66-67 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| CENTRAL REGION 4/ | 65-67 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| WESTERN REGION 5/ | 66-67 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |

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|-------------------|--------|-------|------------|-----------------|------------|-----------------|-------------|-----------------|-------------|
| 8-16 LB HENS | | | | | | | | | |
| EASTERN REGION 3/ | 70-71 | 71 | 71.00 | 160 | - | - | - | - | - |
| CENTRAL REGION 4/ | 69-70 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| WESTERN REGION 5/ | 70-71 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 16-24 LB TOMS | | | | | | | | | |
| EASTERN REGION 3/ | 66-67 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| CENTRAL REGION 4/ | 65-67 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| WESTERN REGION 5/ | 66-67 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F. 2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days. 3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting. 4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting. 5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting. 6/ Includes product committed for pricing during the previous 24 hours but shipment in more than 14 days from date of commitment. 7/ Includes product committed during previous 24 hours at prices to be determined at later date.

NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 2 OCTOBER 2001.

Trade sentiment on tom breast meat steady to instances weak, fresh destrapped tenderloins were mixed and frozen were steady at best. Demand slow to fair. Offerings of tom breast meat were adequate to ample, destrapped tenderloins uneven. Trading was slow on all items. However, increased interest and trading was being noted on tom 2-joint wings at the lower trending price levels. Supplies of tom drums continued to show signs of increased availability with offering prices noted at mostly steady price levels. Offerings of tom necks and full-cut wings continued light at best. Frozen thigh meat trade sentiment is starting to become unsettled as a few industry members have started noting lower trending offering prices while others remain confident in the market.

| DOMESTIC TRADING | PRICE RANGE | L.S.T. CODE 1/ | WTD AVG PRICE | VOLUME (000) |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|-------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/ | | | | |
| BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/ | | | | |
| BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/ | | | | |
| DRUMSTICKS, TOM | | F | 39.00 | 80 |
| DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH | | F | 39.00 | 40 |
| DRUMSTICKS, HEN | 36.00 | | 36.00 | 40 |
| WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM | | F | 35.00 | 40 |
| WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN | | | | |
| WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM | 35.00 | | 35.00 | 40 |
| WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN | | M | 49.00 | 40 |
| NECKS, TOM | 36.00 | | 36.00 | 10 |
| NECKS, HEN | | R | 30.00 | 20 |
| BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/ | | | | |
| BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/ | 175.00 | | 175.00 | 40 |
| THIGH MEAT | | | | |
| THIGH MEAT—FRESH | | F | 70.00 | 40 |
| BREAST TRIM MEAT | | | | |
| SCAPULA MEAT | | | | |
| TENDERLOINS | | | | |
| DESTRAPPED TENDERS | | F | 144.00 | 60 |
| DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH | | R | 157.93 | 150 |
| WING MEAT WITH SKIN | | F | 75.00 | 20 |
| MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/ | | F | 19.00 | 70 |
| MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/ | | F | 18.14 | 111 |
| EXPORT TRADING | | | | |
| DRUMSTICKS, TOMS | | M | 38.00 | 80 |
| WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS | | | | |
| WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM | | | | |
| TAILS | | F | 29.00 | 28 |
| MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/ | | R | 17.64 | 384 |
| THIGH MEAT - FROZEN | | F | 69.20 | 200 |

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.):

M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R=THURSDAY F=FRIDAY

2/ Breasts are bagged; rib, back, and wing meat included; and basted.

3/ Boneless and skinless without tenderloins. 4/ 15-20% fat with skin added.

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED TURKEY,
DELIVERED TO RETAILERS**

| | <u>RANGE</u> |
|------------------------------|--------------|
| FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16# | 98 |
| FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24# | 98 |
| FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16# | 68-76 |
| FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24# | 70-76 |
| FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28# | 71-76 |

**SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED TURKEY
DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS**

| | <u>RANGE</u> |
|------------------------------|--------------|
| TURKEYS Y HENS | 87-102 |
| TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22# | 81-99 |
| TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24# | 81-99 |
| TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26# | 81-99 |
| TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER | 93-101 |

NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 3 OCTOBER 2001.

The undertone was steady to instances weak on tom 2-joint wings, steady on drums, fully steady on full-cut wings and tom necks. Demand was slow to moderate. Offerings of tom 2-joint wings were in a full range, but mostly adequate to ample with offer prices continuing to be noted at lower trending prices. Drum offerings were short to adequate. Full-cut wing and tom neck offerings short of buyer needs with interest for fresh toms wings going unfilled. Hen neck offerings continued to attract little buyer interest. Tom breast meat trade sentiment was steady to weak, fresh destrapped tenderloins mixed with some willing to negotiated on spot loads while others are tight, frozen destrapped tenderloins steady at best with the balance of white meat items strong. Trading centered on a moderately heavy volume of fresh 15-20% mechanically separated turkey and a fair volume of fresh 4-8 lb. breasts, balance light. Fresh scapula traded at 137 cents delivered.

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|-----------------------------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|--------------|
| BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/ | | | | |
| BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/ | 136.00-154.00 | | 136.86 | 420 |
| BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/ | | | | |
| DRUMSTICKS, TOM | 38.00 | | 38.00 | 40 |
| DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH | | F | 39.00 | 40 |
| DRUMSTICKS, HEN | 35.00-36.00 | | 35.50 | 80 |
| WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM | | F | 35.00 | 40 |
| WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN | | | | |
| WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM | 37.00 | | 37.00 | 40 |
| WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN | | M | 49.00 | 40 |
| NECKS, TOM | 36.00 | | 36.00 | 6 |
| NECKS, HEN | | R | 30.00 | 20 |
| BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/ | 155.00-160.00 | | 157.50 | 160 |
| BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/ | 175.00-180.00 | | 179.00 | 260 |
| THIGH MEAT | 70.00 | | 70.00 | 80 |
| THIGH MEAT—FRESH | 69.00 | | 69.00 | 40 |
| BREAST TRIM MEAT | | | | |
| SCAPULA MEAT | | | | |
| TENDERLOINS | | | | |
| DESTRAPPED TENDERS | | F | 144.00 | 60 |
| DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH | 150.00-160.00 | | 156.62 | 260 |
| WING MEAT WITH SKIN | 75.00 | | 75.00 | 80 |
| MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/ | | F | 19.00 | 70 |
| MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/ | 16.00-18.00 | | 17.27 | 660 |

EXPORT TRADING

| | | | | |
|---------------------------|-------------|---|-------|-----|
| DRUMSTICKS, TOMS | | M | 38.00 | 80 |
| WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS | | | | |
| WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM | | | | |
| TAILS | | F | 29.00 | 28 |
| MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/ | 17.00 | | 17.00 | 52 |
| THIGH MEAT - FROZEN | 67.00-69.00 | | 68.28 | 144 |

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| SEASON | HEAVY WHITE | HEAVY WHITES | ALL BREEDS |
|-------------------|-------------|--------------|------------|
| JULY 1 TO JUNE 30 | | | |
| 2001-2002 | - | 126,107 | 126,407 |
| 2000-2001 | - | 99,634 | 99,884 |